



## **KTA- COMPETE CAPACITY ENHANCING TO SUSTAINABILITY**

### **2012 MONTHLY TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES REPORT**

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## **1. OBJECTIVE**

The core objective of this report is to highlight on the key activities undertaken and the extents to which targets set for the month of May 2012 have been met.

The analysis has been based on the three (3) pillars outlined in the KTA Strategic Plan namely;

- Advocacy.
- Institutional Development and Sustainability.
- Member Services.

## **NARRATIVE REPORTS**

## **2. ADVOCACY.**

### **2.1 The One Stop Border Post, OSBP Committee**

On 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012, KTA attended the above meeting convened by the Ministry of East African Community in Machakos town to discuss about the One Stop Border Post OSBP initiative. The objective of the meeting was to:

- i) Review and agree on the terms of reference (TOR) for the National OSBP steering committee
- ii) Review TOR of the National and Bilateral sub-committees and appoint lead agencies to spearhead them
- iii) Discuss the concerns of the Sectoral Council on legal and judicial affairs on the OSBP Bill 2010

During the meeting, KTA was included on the National OSBP Steering Committee.

### **2.2 The Ports Management Association for East and Southern Africa, PMAESA Meeting**

On 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012 again KTA attended the above meeting convened at the Mombasa Continental Resort, Mombasa courtesy of PMAESA and the Kenya Ports Authority, KPA.

The Meeting was called to discuss:

- i) Creation of a single point of coordination which will oversee and support the activities of the various African Corridor Management Institutions,
- ii) Identification of best practices among African Corridor Management Institutions
- iii) Identification of Africans Corridors with the global network to improve safety, reliability, efficiency and effectiveness of services provided by corridors.

### **2.3 The Trucking Industry Survey Report**

On 19<sup>th</sup> May 2012, KTA received a summary report of the Trucking Industry Survey report from the Northern Corridor; a survey that was sponsored by the World Bank in collaboration with the Northern Corridor, KTA and

The Objectives of the survey are;

- Help Transport Associations move towards fact-based policies in lobbying governments on behalf of their members
- Develop accurate and reliable web based database on road transport operators and fleets that is essential to understand road transport sector
- Enhance effective and efficient management of fleets by member transport operators
- Provide a basis for cooperation of road associations/operators/corridor authorities/government agencies/licensing boards/ministry of transport/shippers
- Develop systems to collect and manage data on the performance of key corridors
- Assess the impact of trade facilitation initiative by the private sector, government and development agencies
- Promote mechanisms for the participation of all main stakeholders in the management of trade corridors
- Focus on mechanism that takes spatial account of specific needs of all Countries through corridor, coastal and landlocked approach

### **3. INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY.**

#### **3.1 TMEA/KTA Projects**

##### **3.1.1 Single-Window E-Portal**

The E-Portal project between TMEA and KTA still on-going as highlighted in last months technical activities report.

#### **3.2 The East Africa HCV Drivers Training Institute Business Plan**

On May 25, 2012, a meeting was held between KTA and COMPETE officials to discuss the business plan for the Training institute. Consultants engaged by USAID-COMPETE to develop the business plan have essentially kick-started the business development plan.

Plans to relocate to a new premise to host the institute are still underway.

### **4 MEMBER SERVICES**

#### **4.1 Member Visits**

Member visits by KTA secretariat team is on-going with up to four companies visited during the month of May 2012.

#### **4.2 KTA Members Meeting**

KTA members meeting to discuss a notice by KeNHA regarding dummy/dead axles was held at the Castle Royal Hotel on May 2, 2012. During the meeting, a sub-committee was selected to engage KeNHA officials directly regarding demands to dismantle dummy axles. KTA managed to obtain a court order stopping KeNHA from implementing the directive on dummy axles pending determination by court. This offers a temporary reprieve to our members as we continue to seek an amicable and permanent solution to this matter.

#### **4.3 Busitema and Mbale Weighbridges in Uganda.**

Efforts by KTA to resolve the Busitema and Mbale weighbridges issue with Kenya transporters through the East African Community (MEAC) and the Ministry of Roads have not born any fruits so far. Harmonization of the axle load limits within the EAC member states now rests with the East African Community Legislative Assembly. Nonetheless, we still continue to engage these authorities at the highest possible levels with a conviction that tangible results will be realized soon.

#### **4.4 Recruitment of New Members**

The month of May 2012 saw the recruitment of two (2) new members to KTA. Of the two, one joined as an Associate member. We have also noted an increase in number of institutions seeking to partner with us.